



CITY OF STOCKTON

## THE WEEK THAT WAS

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A Report from the City Manager

February 7, 2003

### CENTRAL BUILDING MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Yearly safety inspections were held at the **Municipal Services Center**. Various shops were visited and the report is being prepared by the Safety Officer and the consultant.

The **City Hall Security Station** project is winding down. The roll up security door and walk through door has been installed. Carpet is scheduled for the weekend and should put a nice finishing touch on the project. Now that the roll up door is installed we will build an enclosure around the metal housing to make it better match the other wood-work.

We had a call out this week-end regarding the **sally port door at City Hall**. Someone had locked the door using a grand master key. CBM staff had to cut the latch bolt to free the lock. It was secure with the magnetic lock and the mechanical lock system has been replaced.

Electricians made repairs on the outside security lights at **Oak Park Ice Arena** and at the **Van Buskirk Community Center**. They also replaced the transformer switch at the **Police Department**

and the automatic transfer switch at **Fire Company 3** with a manual switch. Electricians also installed a data network at the Oak Park Senior Center. The re-lamping and ballast replacement project continue at the City Hall Annex.

Staff completed another section of the concrete drive at **Fire Company 2**. There is one section to pour and this should complete the project.

Staff met again with the **North Stockton Police Facility** committee to review the plans and noted a few corrections that need to be made. The architect is now finalizing the plans.

HVAC technicians performed preventive maintenance to the cooling tower at the **Central Library** and continue to make day to day repairs and try to perform necessary preventive maintenance tasks.

Locks were re-pined at the **Maya Angelou Library** and the **Stockton Hotel** due to lost keys & vandalism.

Estimates for fencing and a gate around the main police vehicle parking area on the south side of the facility were provided to the **Police Department**.

The new maintenance contractor has started on the **elevators city wide**. TyseenKrupp has taken over the existing service with the exception of City Hall and the Central Parking District. These existing contracts with KONE will expire July 1<sup>st</sup> at City Hall and March 1<sup>st</sup> for Central Parking District. At that time TyseenKrupp will assume maintenance responsibilities. For all elevator issues please continue to contact CBM.

Staff met with the roofing consultant to discuss the **City Hall re-roof** project. They are working on plans and specs and are putting together a schedule for the project to have work in progress this budget year.

CBM staff completed the Tot Lot project at **Pixie Woods**. (AS-CBM)

### HAMMER LANE PHASE II AND WEST LANE WIDEN- ING PROJECT

The contractor has completed the soundwall along West Lane between Swain Road and Hammer Lane. They are currently installing the soundwall along Hammer Lane between Lorraine and West Lane. They are also working on the storm drains

along Hammer Lane and West Lane. Lane closures are required during the operation and traffic delays are anticipated.

A change order in the amount of \$70,000 will be issued to the contractor to add improvement work on the Golfland property. Golfland is located at the Southeast quadrant of the Hammer Lane and West Lane intersection. Right of Way was acquired along this property to construct the project improvements. The City was required to compensate the owner or construct a new fence and retaining wall as part of the right of way acquisition. During the design phase, the owner chose to construct the retaining wall and fence themselves to better control the impacts to the miniature golf operations. The City agreed on the condition that the work take place in a timely manner so as to not impact the City's construction schedule. The owner has attempted to get the work complete but cannot meet the City's construction schedule. Therefore, the City will add the work back into the construction contract and perform the work instead. (PW)

#### **UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CROSSING REPAIRS SCHEDULE FOR WEBER AVENUE AND MAIN STREET.**

Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Operations and Maintenance crews are scheduled to begin repair work at the Weber Avenue railroad crossing on February 7, 2003. The repairs at the Weber Avenue crossing are estimated to take eight days to complete. Following this repair, the UPRR crews will start repairs at the Main Street crossing. Repairs at this crossing are scheduled to take approximately four days to complete. Both

streets will be closed to vehicular and pedestrian traffic during the work. Work at these locations was previously scheduled to begin in early January, but was rescheduled due to UPRR's inability to find a suitable window of opportunity to close this busy route (PW)

#### **NORTH LITTLE JOHNS CREEK SUBDIVISION – GUTTER DRAINAGE ISSUES**

Over the past several months, Public Works has received complaints of standing water (ponding) in gutters within the North Little Johns Creek Subdivision, of nearly 400 homes, developed by Verner Construction. Staff has investigated these complaints, surveyed the gutter flow lines, researched the condition of improvements at acceptance and the age of the improvements. Our investigation revealed the vast majority of the twenty-five gutter flow/ponding issues were related to ponding of less than one-half inch in depth for lengths of 20 to 30 feet. Further, the vast majority of the gutter ponding occurred in areas between 4 and 9 years old, which were previously inspected and had tested acceptably at the end of the warranty period. Due to the soil conditions in Stockton, some sinking or heaving of the gutter is not uncommon due to weather (moisture) conditions, even several years after acceptance of the improvements. As other street repairs occur in the area the City will attempt to address these issues as well. In the newer areas of this subdivision, where warranty inspections are still active, the developer will be requested to repair the identified gutter flow / ponding problems. Further the City has also recently changed its standards to require an increased gutter slope to assist in addressing Stockton's unique soil conditions. Public Works staff presented this information to the neighborhood at a January 27, 2003 meeting hosted by

County Supervisor Steven Gutierrez. (PW)

#### **MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS**

Construction of underground improvements has started at Main and American Streets and will proceed westerly to San Joaquin Street. Underground construction will require several weeks to complete. Demolition of sidewalks and curbs will begin in about two weeks. Construction of street light foundations will start in early March.

The contractor, Golden Bay Construction of San Carlos, has identified several areas where previously unknown existing basements will necessitate minor modifications to the limits of curb and sidewalk construction. The design engineer is proceeding with the required plan revisions.

Project completion is anticipated in Summer 2003. (PW)

#### **NEW TRAFFIC SIGNALS ACTIVATED –**

The new traffic signals at the **Thornton Road intersections of Eight Mile Road and A.G. Spanos Boulevard (North)** were activated on January 29, 2003. The Thornton Road/Eight Mile Road intersection previously operated as a four-way stop. The Thornton Road/A.G. Spanos Boulevard intersection was controlled with a stop sign on the A.G. Spanos Boulevard approach prior to the traffic signal installation.

The City of Stockton and San Joaquin County will share in the cost of maintenance and operation of the traffic signal at Thornton Road and Eight Mile Road pursuant to the maintenance agreement adopted by both agencies. The Thornton Road and A.G. Spanos Boulevard traffic signals will be maintained and operated solely by the City.

The traffic signals were installed by Collins Electrical Company under contract to A.G. Spanos Companies. The traffic signals were a condition placed on the Spanos Park Development. (PW)

### **HOTEL STOCKTON UPDATE**

The Building Division issued building permits this week for the Hotel Stockton rehabilitation project. While preliminary work has been occurring in the Hotel, which has included clean-up of the interior, asbestos abatement, and demolition, the issuance of the building permits will allow construction to begin. The developer hopes to begin to frame some of the rooms as early as next week. (HRD)

### **EXPRESS CLEANUP PILOT PROGRAM**

Neighborhood Services began a pilot program in January in conjunction with California Conservation Corps. In the first two weeks of the program over 8,300 pounds of debris was collected and disposed of in the landfill. This program responds to both citizen complaints and working proactively in specific areas. They average collecting over 1,000 pounds and patrolling over 100 miles of the city per day. Citizens should be able to see the real impact of this program by the cleaner city streets and neighborhood improvement. (HRD)

### **NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES MONITORING**

The following is an update for Lakeview and Valley Oak Districts, which comprise the north part of Stockton:

I-5 Frontage between March Lane and Fourteen Mile Slough - This area remains on our monitor list, however, the property owners have been very cooperative in

keeping this section of highway frontage clear.

#### I-5 Frontage between Fourteen Mile Slough and Hammer Lane

- Code Enforcement Officers have been back into this area along the rear of Karlsberg Circle and Warrick Court. Administration Citations were issued to 20 properties for repeat violations. Five property owners and fifteen tenants were issued citations for yard maintenance and junk, garbage, and debris violations.

Kelley Drive - Our CCC crew will be picking up the junk and debris on the vacant lot recently purchased from the City by ACLC for their new day care center. Construction of this new facility will begin in the near future. Cal Trans will be conducting a clean-up along the I-5 corridor.

Several other properties have been cited again for garbage, junk, and debris as well as lawn maintenance and are being inspected on a bi-weekly basis. Two of these sites are now in escrow and Neighborhood Services has recorded a Notice of Pending Code Enforcement Action so the new owners will be aware of the violations on those sites. An additional two properties are now under a conservatorship and work is progressing.

Cody, Colt, Comstock, Pawnee and Hickock Streets - The Neighborhood Services clean sweep back in August of 2002 was effective for a short time period. Only 2 of the original 208 properties issued Violation Warning Notices remain, however, an additional 7 Administrative Citations have now been issued. Most of these were for the same or similar violations of garbage/junk/debris and yard maintenance.

Antoine Court - Of the original 12 properties cited, only 2 cases remain. Neighborhood Services continues to work with

the property owners because of the number of substandard housing violations originally observed.

Camanche Lane - An apartment complex on Camanche Lane was issued a Stop Notice for all construction repairs of 2<sup>nd</sup> floor decking. They must secure all necessary permits before repairs can be resumed. The balconies are full of dry rotted structural wood members and the property owner has been cited for faulty decking. The property manager is in the process of submitting plans for repairs to all effected deck areas and substandard 2<sup>nd</sup> floor balcony guard railings. Re-inspections for interior violations will be conducted next week.

Jill Circle Mini Sweep - Compliance has been obtained at 15 parcels, currently there are 7 active cases. An initial inspection fee was issued to one property owner for failure to comply with interior housing violations. An illegal conversion of a garage to a bedroom has been returned to its original function. On going re-inspections are being conducted weekly.

Coventry Drive - The front and rear yard areas at Coventry Drive remain in compliance, no citations were issued during the month of January. The area will remain on the monitoring list to ensure continued compliance.

Bianchi Rd. - One case remains active, the property owner continues to make the required repairs on this vacant unit. Re-inspections continue to be conducted and compliance is expected by the end of February.

Cotton Court - There are two active cases on Cotton Court. One property has existing landscaping violations and was making repairs on their

deck. The other property has been cited for ongoing litter around the common areas, and landscape maintenance. Re-inspections are scheduled for the week of February 24, 2003.

Gateway Court - An apartment complex in Gateway Court has 4 units that are in substandard condition. In addition there are numerous landscaping and exterior housing violations. Neighborhood Services staff has issued a notice of intent to abate if the property owner does not take steps towards compliance. A complaint was received of a blue tarp visible from El Dorado Street. An inspection of the complex found 15 Blue tarps. The property owner was contacted and all tarps were removed.

Cal Villa/ Town Home Drive - One property owner on Salem Way was issued an administrative citation for failure to comply with blighted exterior condition. There is one active housing case on Calandria Street with substandard violations and four abandoned vehicles have been cited in the alleyway.

Carrington Circle - Of the 62 units originally cited, 40 are in compliance. One property owner has obtained partial compliance with lawns, fences, and painting the exterior of 2 units. They are now working on replacing the roof. ACLC is in the process of applying for funding to repair housing violations and painting the exteriors.

Leslie Ave - Three properties are in compliance and are being monitored. Compliance at one additional property has been delayed due to weather conditions effecting the painting of the exterior of the dwelling. Re-inspections are scheduled for the first week in March. (HRD)

### **CDC APPROVAL OF PROPOSED ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT FOR CDBG FUNDS**

The Community Development Committee (CDC) voted to recommend approval of the proposed Amendment to the 2001-2002 Action Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds at their January 23<sup>rd</sup> committee meeting. The plan amendment would authorize staff to allocate excess program income received through unanticipated early repayment of loans made available through CDBG and HOME program funds. At staff's recommendation, the CDC voted to direct the additional \$229,665 in HOME funds program income into the CHDO predevelopment and multi-family loan pools. The augmentation of the loan pool budgets will allow for the development/rehabilitation of additional housing units for low-income residents within the city. Similarly, the CDC voted to direct the additional \$1,149,707 in CDBG funds towards a variety of programs and projects including the rehabilitation of Van Buskirk Community Center and the augmentation of the budgets of the economic development façade improvement and housing (single/multi-family loan) pools.

The proposed Action Plan Amendment was published in The Record on December 31<sup>st</sup>. The public notice began a 30-day public comment period. Oral comments from the public will be received during a public hearing scheduled at the February 4<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. At that time staff will also return to Council for formal approval of the amendment. (HRD)

### **ANNUAL CDBG/HOME/ESG APPLICATIONS**

With the closure of the annual application submission period for the federal Community De-

velopment Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, Housing staff began an initial analysis of the applications for compliance with program requirements and consistency with the priorities outlined in the City of Stockton's 2000-2005 Consolidated Plan. Staff received 11 applications for CDBG funds, 6 applications for ESG funds, and 4 applications for HOME funds for a total of 21 applications. The sum totals of funds requested include \$1,737,370.75 in CDBG funds, \$251,000 in ESG funds, and \$120,959 in HOME funds. Unfortunately, as always, the sums requested exceed projected funds available for allocation.

The Community Development Committee received copies of all the funding applications at their January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting and will begin the review process at their next meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. in the Housing and Redevelopment Conference Room. (HRD)

### **INSPECTIONS**

In response to a referral received this week from Adult Protective Services for an emergency repair at a home without heating of 90 year old senior citizen, Housing staff inspected the house at 149 W. Delhi Avenue. A new wall heater will be installed to remedy the situation with a grant of CDBG funds under the City's Emergency Repair Program. Similarly, elderly homeowners at 2415 East Lafayette Street will be assisted with an Emergency Repair Grant to replace a leaking, rot-damaged roof. Bids are currently being procured for this repair.

Staff also performed several inspections for the Single

Family Rehabilitation Program to determine scopes of work. As a result of initial inspections, scopes of work are being prepared for six homes. The various scopes of work will include a variety of items such replacement of roofs, water heaters, stoves; exterior painting; foundation repairs; and plumbing repairs. (HRD)

#### **MONITORING VISIT – STOCKTON SHELTER FOR THE HOMELESS**

Housing staff conducted an on-site monitoring visit to Stockton Shelter for the Homeless on January 24th. The purpose of the monitoring visit was to examine the organization's records and review contractual obligations under the City's 2001-2002 Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) agreement with the Shelter.

The monitoring consisted of reviewing Board of Director minutes, financial records, policies and procedures, billing procedures for the draw of City ESG funds and a sampling of case files for clients served.

Stockton Shelter staff was commended on their excellent recordkeeping, documentation process and understanding of ESG program requirements pertaining to the eligible use of funds. During the visit Housing staff provided technical assistance to the Shelter with regard to their one-time rent payment program. In an effort to improve reporting efficiency, techniques for screening applicant eligibility for this program and collecting client demographic information were offered. (HRD)

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLS/INCIDENTS**

During the period January 30 – February 5, the Stockton Police Department handled

5,888 calls for service, incidents, and/or reports. (POL)

#### **COMMUNITY HEALTH ACTION TEAM (CHAT)**

On January 31, the CHAT inspected a single-family home that had been modified into a duplex, in the 400 block of East Rose. Numerous violations were noted including an illegal apartment in the basement. A Notice and Order to Vacate was issued for the basement apartment, dislocating three tenants. On February 5, the CHAT inspected an apartment complex in the 300 block of East Magnolia. Three of the six apartments were inspected, resulting in 45 violations. The PACT conducted two parolee orientation meetings in January, with 167 recently released parolees scheduled to attend. Of that amount, 124 parolees attended, with 76 of them residing in Stockton. Twelve no-shows of the first meeting were in attendance at the second meeting. Ten parolees-at-large and 18 parolees were arrested, in addition to 4 felony arrests. One methamphetamine lab was located, and narcotics were seized during the various inspections. (POL)

#### **GANG STREET ENFORCEMENT TEAM**

Activities of the Gang Street Enforcement Team (GSET) during the period January 27 – February 3, included the following:

- Field Interviews - 189
- Felony Arrests - 6
- Misdemeanor Arrests - 0
- Felony Warrant Arrests - 2
- Misdemeanor Warrant Arrests - 2
- Traffic Citations Issued - 8
- Vehicles Impounded - 4
- Firearms Confiscated - 2 (sawed-off .22 caliber rifles with high-capacity magazines; 367 guns confiscated since the inception of GSET and the VCSTF)
- Parole Searches - 0
- Probation Searches – 12

- Narcotics Confiscated - 0 (POL)

#### **TRUANCY**

During the week of January 27-31, 24 juveniles were processed for truancy. Year to date, 661 students have been processed for truancy, with 170 repeat offenders. Statistics reflect that overall truancy has decreased by approximately 9% compared to the same time period last year. (POL)

#### **DUI GRANT**

The Police Department's Traffic Section received a DUI grant and applied for a speed grant from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety. The DUI grant provides two additional DUI Officers and fully equipped DUI cars. The speed grant will provide two additional Motor Officers and equipment for enforcement. Both grants require monthly DUI and/or seatbelt checkpoints and community outreach through media and public educational presentations. (POL)

#### **SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE**

Officers responded to the State Building to assist CHP with a suspicious package that arrived in the mail on January 30. The package was in the form of a manila envelope, wrapped extensively with duct tape. An employee had removed part of its contents and saw a note that read, "I hope no one gets hurt when they open this." The Police Explosive Ordnance Disposal team responded and evacuated the building. They x-rayed the package and utilized a water disrupter to render the package safe. Inside were miscellaneous papers. The CHP took over the investigation. (POL)

#### **OPERATION NITE-LITE**

The Police Department teamed up with Probation

and conducted "Operation Nite-Lite." The operation included 10 probation searches, resulting in arrests, and confiscation of narcotics and ammunition. (POL)

#### **PURSUIT**

On February 4, Officers spotted and followed a stolen van to American and Eighth while waiting for other Police units to arrive. The driver of the van saw the responding units, ran a stop sign, and fled. He tried to ram a Police unit as the Officers attempted to block his path near Aurora and Lafayette. A 34-minute pursuit transpired, with CHP taking it over once the driver turned onto Highway 99, south of Arch Road. A Police Sergeant trailed the pursuit to its end near Ripon. CHP arrested the occupants and turned them over to Police. The 14-year-old driver and 17-year-old passenger were booked on multiple charges. (POL)

#### **ROBBERY**

On February 5, at approximately 9:15 p.m., an elderly couple returned home on Kermit. While they were at their front door, two suspects accosted them. One suspect grabbed the 77-year-old woman by the wrist and pulled her purse from her shoulder, while the second suspect pushed the 79-year-old man into the house and pointed a semi-automatic handgun at him. The victim grabbed the barrel of the gun and pushed it away. During the struggle, one of the suspects yelled out that he had the purse, and both suspects then ran away. A nearby resident, of Robinhood Drive, reported he had heard his front door screen being opened and the doorknob turning. After looking out the window, he saw two subjects. The neighbor's description of the two men matched the description provided by the robbery victims. (POL)

#### **STOCKTON FIRES**

On Thursday, January 30, there was a structure fire in a two-story, single-family residence at 1648 Willow Park Way. The cause of the fire was a candle left burning unattended in a bedroom. Damage is estimated at approximately \$25,000 to the structure and \$10,000 to the contents.

On Friday, January 31, there was a fire in the garage of a two-story, single-family residence at 1671 Bonaire Circle. The fire was the result of heat lamps that were being used to keep lizards warm. Damage is estimated at approximately \$15,000 to the structure and \$5,000 to the contents.

On Friday, January 31, there was a structure fire in a single-story triplex at 642 Bedlow Drive. The Stockton Fire Ladies Auxiliary and Red Cross were notified to assist the residents. Damage is estimated at approximately \$12,000 to the structure and \$3,000 to the contents.

On Monday, February 3, there was a structure fire in a single-story duplex at 2107 Nightingale Avenue. The fire originated in the kitchen where food was cooking unattended. Fire residents were treated and transported for smoke inhalation. Damage is estimated at approximately \$10,000 to the structure and \$1,000 to the contents.

On Tuesday, February 4, there was a structure fire in a residence at 6433 Inglewood Avenue. The fire originated in the kitchen where the resident had been cooking. The resident was treated and transported for smoke inhalation. No dollar loss was reported.

On Wednesday, February 5, there was a second-alarm structure fire in a multi-story duplex at 136 S. Los Angeles Avenue. The cause of the fire is

currently under investigation. One firefighter obtained minor injuries and was treated at the hospital and released. The Stockton Fire Ladies Auxiliary and Red Cross were notified to assist the residents. Damage is estimated at approximately \$150,000 to the structure and \$50,000 to the contents. (FD)

#### **ARSON INVESTIGATIONS**

Twenty-seven fire investigations were conducted in the last seven days. Seven were outdoor type fires and were "accidentally" caused fires. Thirteen structures were investigated; twelve were accidental and one was undetermined. Four vehicles burned; one was undetermined and the remainder were accidental. Dollar loss due to arson this year is \$191,200. (FD)

#### **PUBLIC EDUCATION**

This week fire safety messages were presented at the following locations: Village Oaks School (80 participants), Golden Haven (25 participants), Delta College (20 participants), Rezero Head Start (35 participants), and San Anselmo Head Start (20 participants). Also, a fire station tour was conducted at Company 4 (22 participants). (FD)

#### **GENERAL STAFF MEETING**

All full time Library staff attended the first General Staff Meeting of the year this week. In an effort to increase communication and opportunities for staff to meet, there will be six General Staff Meeting this year instead of four. The meeting included safety training, a budget update, information on a new grant to assist people with visual problems, and a report on the new "Kudos" program designed to encourage staff to recognize each other for giving special help or going the extra mile. (LIB)

### **MEETING WITH INTRANET DISCOVERY TEAM**

Library Director Nicky Stanke, Executive Assistant Kendra Stockwell, Administrative Services Manager Diane Freggiaro, Library Division Manager Ken Yamashita, and Automation Services Manager Bob Lombardi met with Tony DeGruy and representatives from the Western Blue team that is assisting the City with investigating the potential of an intranet. The Library appreciates this opportunity to discuss needs. (LIB)

### **TRIVIA BEE MARCH 7**

The twelfth annual Trivia Bee, a fundraising event for the Library & Literacy Foundation of San Joaquin County, will be at 6p.m. on March 7 at the Stockton Civic Auditorium. Twenty-four teams have signed up for the event so far. Tickets are on sale at all library outlets for \$20. (LIB)

### **ONE BOOK, ONE SAN JOAQUIN – “THE TORTILLA CURTAIN”**

Plans are underway for the Library's second “One Book” event. This time, because of the interest generated by One Book, One Stockton last year, the reading/book discussion program will expand to the County, including Lodi, which is not a part of the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library. The book being read this year is *Tortilla Curtain* by T. C. Boyle. Co-sponsors include Barnes & Noble, the Stockton and Lodi Arts Commissions, The Record, the Library & Literacy Foundation, and the Stockton and Lodi Friends of the Library groups. The kick-off event will be on April 10 at the Stockton and Tracy Barnes & Noble stores, and the final event will be a program by the author, T. C. Boyle, on May 13 at the Stockton Civic Memorial Auditorium. (LIB)

### **LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION GRANT APPLICATIONS**

The Manteca City Council has decided to revise and resubmit its grant proposal for a new library building using state matching funds. In the first grant cycle, the application was deemed “Very Good.” However, the Ripon City Council has decided not to resubmit its application for a new library, although the Friends of the Library are planning a grass roots campaign in support of resubmission and/or pursuing the much-needed new facility. Library and City of Stockton staff continue to work on a proposal for a new library at West and Morada Lanes. The Manteca and Stockton proposals will be submitted by March 28. (LIB)

### **CITY MANAGER'S MEETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS**

On Monday Roger Storey, Terry Parker and I discussed enhanced retirement benefits. Roger Storey, Terry Parker, Sylvia Ramirez and I discussed OE3 contract negotiations. I met with Christine Tien, Patti Johnson and Tony DeGruy regarding IT issues. Gary Ingraham, Mark Madison and I held our weekly meeting. I participated in the City Council's Work Session regarding MUD Privatization.

Tuesday morning Roger Storey, Steve Carrigan, Jim Giottonini, Mark Madison, Jim Glaser, Carl Eck and I met with Mike Locke of the San Joaquin Partnership and one of their clients, a roof tile manufacturer. Mayor Podesto and I held our weekly meeting. Roger Storey, Terry Parker and I met with the Union Representatives to discuss enhanced retirement benefits. I attended the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors Meeting as they discussed the ambulance issue.

On Wednesday I attended the City Investment Review Committee Meeting. I participated in

a conference call with Gary Ingraham and Doug Calkins regarding the MUD privatization issue. Steve Pinkerton, Michael Rishwain, Jim Giottonini, Laurie Montes and I discussed sidewalk repair/replacement issues. I met with Michael Spanos. I participated in the BEAT Meeting.

Thursday morning Mayor Gary Podesto and I met with UOP Dean Mark Plovnick regarding the UOP Business Forecasting Center. Mayor Podesto, Dan Morriss, John Staropoli and I discussed the Fritchen Initiative. Councilmember Gary Giovanetti and I held our bi-weekly meeting. I met with Gary Miller and Wyatt Troxel, OMI, regarding the MUD privatization issue. Christine Tien and I met with Public Works and HRD staff to discuss property for future City needs. Roger Storey and I held our bi-weekly meeting. I attended the Children's Museum Open House/Thank You Party and the Chamber of Commerce's Network Mixer.

On Friday I met with Reverend Bob Haley. Guy Petzold, Mark Madison, Barry O'Regan and I discussed SUSD sewer issues. Roger Storey, Laurie Montes and I met regarding the Fox Theatre. Chief Gary Gillis and I held our bi-weekly meeting. Sara Cortes, John Hinson and I discussed indirect cost issues.

Attached is a copy of the letter that I submitted to *The Record* this week on why we are going to recommend the outsourcing of the Municipal Utilities Department.

### **HAVE A GOOD WEEKEND!**

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